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Re: Summary Description of Remaining Reclamation, Geokinetics, Inc. Seep Ridge Mine,
M/047/002 (ML-24276), Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Schott:

Thank you for your reminder in your annual report for a description of the remaining reclamation at the Seep Ridge Mine. The last site inspection of June 27, 2000, was used as the basis for this description summary for the remaining site reclamation. John Blake of the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA) reviewed this description summary and was in agreement with the information. Please inform both the Division and SITLA of any plans for reclamation during the coming year.

REMAINING SITE RECLAMATION -SEEP RIDGE PROJECT

- TANK BATTERY #1

Deep ripping the pad area to relieve compaction and seeding of the affected area.

- CAMP AREA

Evaluate the vegetative cover to determine if ripping or regarding the pad areas is beneficial. If ripping or regarding is performed then all affected areas will need to be seeded. Intermittent areas of ripping and seeding may take advantage of the natural invasion of plants and minimize the visual impacts from the flat pad areas.

- P-1 MONITORING WELLS

This location was previously reclaimed. Release this area if vegetative cover is deemed successful.

- ROAD ABOVE THE SHOP

The shop pad was regraded in 1996, but no documentation of this area being seeded was found. Reclamation of the road was not mentioned. The road would need to be regraded or ripped, and then seeded. If the road is being ripped, it may be beneficial to shallowly rip the shop pad and seed the area at that time.

- OFFICE AREA

Decide if rock outcrop area needs to be scarified and then seeded.

- WATER TANK – WATER WELL

Determine ownership of water well (*The Division will be working on this*). Transfer or assign water rights. If there is no approved post-mine use, plug and abandon the well according to the Division of Water Rights, Water Well Handbook; remove all structures; regrade or rip the area and seed. Remove fuel contaminated soils. If the well facilities remain then only the outlying areas would need to be ripped and seeded.

- EXCAVATION WEST OF OFFICE AREA

Regrade excavation to blend in with adjacent topography and seed the affected area.

- LANDFILL

Deep rip the remaining portion of access road past the sanitary landfill. Regrade, rip and seed the pad area southwest of Tank Farm #2. Spread the slash pile out over the reclaimed area to "naturalize" the reclaimed site. Regrade or rip the road remaining around the landfill and seed the affected area.

- OIL STORAGE/SHIPPING AREA AND POWER GENERATION FACILITY

Deep rip the level pad areas and seed the affected area.

- TOPSOIL STOCKPILE

Deep rip the flat pad and road running through the area then seed the affected area.

- STOCKPILES OF MATERIAL (NEAR TOPSOIL AREA)

Regrade the stockpiles to blend in with adjacent topography and seed the affected area.

- P-2 SITE - 3 MONITORING WELLS
- P-4 SITE - 3 MONITORING WELLS
- P-3 SITE - 3 MONITORING WELLS
- P-6 SITE - 3 MONITORING WELLS
- P-5 SITE - 3 MONITORING WELLS

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Plug all the monitoring wells according to section 12.2 Permanent Abandonment of the State of Utah Water Well Handbook from the Division of Water Rights (see enclosed excerpts from section R655-4-12)

After the well has been plugged, excavate the drill casing to three (3) feet below the surface, cut the casing, then backfill the excavation to blend in with adjacent topography, rip any adjacent compacted areas, and seed the affected area.

Please contact me at (801) 538-5267 if you have any questions regarding this letter, or wish to coordinate a site visit during reclamation activities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony A. Gallegos". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Anthony" being more prominent and the last name "Gallegos" following in a similar style.

Anthony A. Gallegos
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Enclosure:

cc: John Blake, SITLA w/enclosure
Jim Wells, Division of Water Rights

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